

NC Collaborative for Children, Youth and Families

DATE: October 31, 2019

Upcoming Pertinent Legislative Meetings:

Date and Time	Committee	Location Legislative Office Building (LOB) Legislative Building (LB) Audio link: https://www.ncleg.gov/Audio
October 31, 8:30 a.m.	Senate Appropriations/Base Budget	643 LOB, audio available
October 31, during second recess	House Finance	544 LOB, audio available
November 4, 10:00 a.m.	Child Fatality Task Force	1027/1128, audio available

Upcoming Collaborative Mental Health Meetings:

Date and Time	Collaborative	Location
November 4, usually 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.	Division of Juvenile Justice, Juvenile Jurisdiction Advisory Committee [on Raise the Age] AGENDA NOT AVAILABLE	Usually at Hammond Business Place, Room 144 Raleigh, NC 27603
November 6, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Upcoming Medicaid Transformation/DHHS webinars: “How Beneficiaries Move Between the Standard Plan and Behavioral Health I/DD Tailored Plan”	Register here
December 12, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.	B-3 Interagency Council	North Carolina Department of Transportation, Board Room 150, 1 S Wilmington Street, Raleigh
December 13, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	NC Child Well Being Transformation Council (<i>Children's Council is hosting discussion panels of foster care families, Guardians ad Litem, and judges'</i>	544 LOB, audio available (see link in chart above)

	<i>perspectives on failures and gaps in North Carolina's provision of services related to child well-being.)</i>	
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Having a budget in place and the go live of Medicaid managed care are closely tied together. The budget bill, H966, is in the hands of the Senate now. You may remember that the House voted to override the Governor's veto back on September 11th. Senate leadership has been publicly indicating that the veto override vote will come up this week. Senate leadership has also said that they intend to formally adjourn on October 31st. Whether any of that will happen remains to be seen. The budget contains a provision to allow for a large transfer of funds to DHHS for Medicaid managed care implementation. It also includes a cut to the NC Medicaid administration. Last week, NC DHHS Secretary Mandy Cohen stated to the House Health Committee that it would be very difficult to move forward with Medicaid managed care implementation if the NC Medicaid administrative cut remains in the budget. She also stated that the Department will be weighing their options for the February 1, 2020 go live date over the next few weeks. Whatever happens in the next week or two should give us key information that will impact NC DHHS and Medicaid managed care implementation.

Bills that are on the move:

[H555](#): Medicaid Transformation Implementation, after the House overrode the veto on this bill, it has been withdrawn from the Senate Rules and Operations Committee and placed on the calendar for 10/31/19.

[H966](#): 2019 Appropriations Act, after the veto it was sent to the Senate Committee on Rules and Operations and has been placed on the calendar for 10/31/19.

Additional bills we are tracking:

[H5](#): Close the Medicaid Insurance Gap (see S3)

[H76](#): School Safety Omnibus

[H102](#): Enhance Permanency Innovation Institute (see S245)

[H121](#): Expunction Related to Raise the Age/No Conviction

[H234](#): Funds for Child Advocacy Centers

[H241](#): Education Bond Act of 2019

[H250](#): Dept. of Health and Human Services Revisions

[H291](#): Continue Social Services Regional Supervision and Collaboration Work Group (SSWG) and Extend Children's Council

[H297](#): Psychologist Interjurisdictional Compact

[H434](#): Suicide Risk Ref./Mental Health/Teen Violence

[H471](#): Reduce Administrative Duplication MH/DD/SAS Providers

[H580](#): Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds (see S636)

[H601](#): Funds for NAMI North Carolina, Inc.

[H613](#): Essential Services for Homeless Youth

[H655](#): NC Health Care for Working Families, the bill was re-referred to the House Committee on Health, received a favorable committee substitute, and was re-referred to the House Committee on Rules, Calendar, and Operations.

[H702](#): Modify Juvenile Crime Prevention Councils (see S555)

[H822](#): Comprehensive Behavioral Health Plan, the bill has been sent to the Senate, passed the 1st Senate reading, and has been sent to the Senate Committee on Rules and Operations.

[H826](#): Standardized Assessment/Foster Care Pilot

[H935](#): Social Services Reform/DHHS Recommendations, the bill has passed the third reading in the house, passed the first Senate reading, and referred to the Senate Committee on Rules and Operations.

[H956](#): Funds/Youth Villages and Other Purposes

[S3](#): Close the Medicaid Insurance Gap (see H5)

[S175](#): Funds/Eliminate NC Pre-K Waitlist

[S199](#): Child Sex Abuse/Strengthen Laws, the Senate and House have confirmed the committee appointed but the House has changed conferees on 9/13/19.

[S212](#): NC Fast/Early Child/Transformation/ACH Assess., the conference committees have been appointed.

[S245](#): Enhance Permanency Innovation Institute (see H102)

[S251](#): Modernization of Drug Court Programs

[S361](#): The Health Care Expansion Act of 2019, the Senate failed to concur on the health committee substitution, so the Senate and House have appointed committee conferees for the bill.

[S382](#): School Psychologist Compensation and Recruitment (see H482)

[S427](#): Smart Start Funds (see H124)

[S476](#): Compt-Based Assess. & Mental Health/Teen Viol., awaiting Conference Committee appointments

[S549](#): Child Welfare/Behavioral Health Pilot/Funds

[S624](#): Guilford County Mental Health Facility /Funds (see H360)

[S636](#): Increase Foster Care Rates/Funds (see H580)

Bills that have been signed into law:

[H75](#): School Mental Health Screening Study, presented to the governor and signed into law as Ch. SL 2019-222.

[H301](#): CIP Revisions/Juvenile Code, signed by the governor on 6/21/19 as Ch. SL 2019-33.

[S413](#): Raise the Age Modifications, signed into law on 8/1/19 as Ch. SL 2019-186.

[H609](#): Once known as Raise the Age Modifications but now labeled Salary Increases/Adult Correctional Employees, the bill was presented to and signed by the governor as Ch. SL 2019-208.

[H656](#): Medicaid Changes for Transformation, signed into law by the Governor on 7/4/19 as Ch. SL 2019-81.

[H1001](#): Raise the Age Funding, ratified, presented to the governor and signed into law on 10/14/19 as Ch. SL 2019-229.